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## President's Message

# Make Festival Work for You

By Cristy Lenz • President@inmanpark.org

Inman Park is one of Atlanta's oldest and most beloved neighborhoods, and we're lucky enough to live here and be stewards of this very special place. Our annual Festival and Tour of Homes plays a major role in keeping the neighborhood vibrant and full of life. Every year, thousands of people from all over Atlanta come together to enjoy the festivities, which include a juried arts and crafts show, a funky parade, live music, food and drinks, and, of course, the popular Tour of Homes. Volunteering in the Inman Park Festival and Tour of Homes is incredibly important for our beloved neighborhood. Not only is it a great way to bring the community together, but it is essential to fund the upkeep of the neighborhood. The money raised through the festival goes towards landscaping projects, sidewalks, Inman Park Security Patrol, and even the annual holiday party. Did you know we spend \$25k a year on landscaping services that keep our greenspaces, medians and other public areas neat and trimmed? We are about to break ground on a new sidewalk project along Lake Ave. that will cost roughly \$80k. These projects improve the neighborhood and would not be possible without the money we make from the festival. And the brick triangle everyone hates at Edgewood and Euclid? We'll use money from the festival to make that an area you'll want to enjoy. Without Festival we would have to ask neighbors for donations or rely on the city to do these projects. Many improvements would not be possible at all. Plus, volunteering is the most fun part of Festival!!!

I love to work the Tour of Homes and spend two hours sitting on a beautiful porch while checking folks' tickets at the door or slinging beers at the beer tent to thirsty festival goers. An ice cold post-shift beer is the tastiest brew to ever cross your lips. Hoppy crispness. Ahhh! Sorry, I got lost in the moment.

We need roughly 800 volunteers to fill all the necessary slots to make festival a seamless experience that will bring folks back year after year.

As a volunteer you are part of the festival instead of just a bystander. Festival shifts are only two hours, so it still leaves plenty of time to take advantage of the festival or enjoy your own festival party. Better yet, encourage your friends to volunteer too, and enjoy the festival together after your volunteer shifts.

Inman Park Festival and Tour of Homes is one of the only fully volunteer-run festivals in the country. Many

neighborhoods outsource the planning and receive only a small fraction of what their festivals earn. By pitching in a two-hour volunteer shift, you help keep ALL the money we earn in the neighborhood. There are many opportunities to volunteer. Snap the QR code to see them all. Every volunteer gets a free volunteer t-shirt and is an important part of making the festival a success. By volunteering and attending the festival, you can help ensure that the Festival and Tour of Homes will continue to be a success for years to come. So don't miss out – get involved and make a difference in your community!



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On behalf of the Board of Directors  
and Little 5 Points Community Center,  
we would like to say,  
happy **International Women's Day!**  
#EmbraceEquity



## MARCH Events Calendar

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[www.L5pcc.org](http://www.L5pcc.org)

### American Red Cross Blood Drive

**LOCATION:** Our Shifalo Cafe

**DAY/TIME:** March 2nd, 10:00am-3:00pm

Head over to [www.redcross.org/give-blood.html](http://www.redcross.org/give-blood.html) to get scheduled  
for the next Blood Drives here at Little 5 Points Community Center.

### Horizon Theater Presents "KIM'S CONVENIENCE by Ins Choi"

**LOCATION:** Horizon Theater

**DAYS:** March 3rd - April 2nd

Head over to [www.horizontheatre.com/plays/kims-convenience/](http://www.horizontheatre.com/plays/kims-convenience/) to purchase tickets and see showtimes.

### Spring Garden Program

**LOCATION:** Our Shifalo Cafe

**DAY/TIME:** March 7th, 10:30am-12:00pm

### Emory University's Community Health Night

**LOCATION:** Our Shifalo Cafe

**DAY/TIME:** March 23rd, 4:00pm-8:00pm

Emory University Hope Clinic has partnered with "Someone Cares" to provide FREE walk-up sexual health and COVID-19 testing for our community

### FREE - Time Management for the Creative Mind

**LOCATION:** Dooley Suite (Classroom 005)

**DAY/TIME:** March 23rd, 7:00pm-8:30pm

\*Email [colleen@colleenfinn.com](mailto:colleen@colleenfinn.com) for details & to register

### Chess Tournament

**LOCATION:** Our Shifalo Cafe

**DAY/TIME:** March 28th, 5:30pm-9:30pm

For more information about events or to schedule your next event at the Little 5 Points Center for Arts and Community, contact us 404-522-2926 or [Little5pcc@gmail.com](mailto:Little5pcc@gmail.com)



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## 2023 Inman Park Book Club

Meets at 7:00 pm on the last Tuesday of most months.

Most book selections are available at our neighborhood bookstore:

A Cappella Books  
208 Haralson Ave, Inman Park  
10% Discount! Shop local!

### Mar 28

Susan Pins and Allen Stephens  
850 Piedmont Ave.,  
Unit 2607  
"The Measure"  
By Nikki Erlick

### Apr 25

Shirley Brown  
876 Inman Village Pkwy  
Unit 512  
"The Magnificent Lives of  
Marjorie Post"  
By Allison Pataki

NOTE: You MUST be fully vaccinated and boosted to attend face-to-face book club events

Please contact Jan Keith (janetbkeith@gmail.com) with any questions.

Get your IPNA vinyl banners, cloth masks and Historic Inman Park (HIP) stickers for sale at Intown Business Center!



### Neighbor to Neighbor

Inman Park neighbor volunteers are ready to assist anyone needing short-term help. For example:

- Getting to medical appointments
- Preparing meals or help with pets while recovering from illness
- Managing daily activities

Visit [www.inmanpark.org/lifelonginmanpark](http://www.inmanpark.org/lifelonginmanpark)  
Contact Jackie Lawrence (404-272-0024)



### Porch Party!

**Friday, March 31 at 7:30 pm.**

**Gretchen and Bruce Maclachlan  
at 226 Elizabeth Street**

**The Maclachlans are hosting the Porch Party this month in honor of having owned their home for 50 years!**

**Bring a dish to share and whatever you want to drink.**

**Questions? Pat or Richard Westrick  
404-388-6466**

Welcome to new neighbor Jean Bullock on Edgewood Ave.

Condolences to family and friends of Wilbur Fuller, long-time resident of Hurt St., who passed in November

Yr. Editrix received a Polar Bear Plunge update from neighbor Randy Bailey!

Apparently no neighbors remain who have jumped every year. Remaining jumpers from Year One who also jumped in 2023 included John Dwyer, George Gary, Christel Sundin, Sam Bailey, Emily Emshoff, Melissa Miller, and Randy Bailey himself, who went on to provide the following deathless quote:

"In truth, the pool was fairly new and the first jump wasn't at all advertised, it was just drunkenly dreamed up at a New Year's Eve party a few hours before the jump."

Yr. Editrix is pleased to correct the record regarding any reputation for sobriety that may inadvertently have attached itself to the Polar Bear Jump.



## Nominate a Neighbor for the Butterfly Awards!

The Butterfly Awards recognize neighbors who have gone above and beyond to make Inman Park a special place to live, work, and play.

To nominate an individual or group, please send the name of your nominee(s) and reason for the nomination to

Kathleen Busko at  
kathleenbusko@hotmail.com



### Hospitality Committee



New to the 'hood? If you just purchased in Inman Park and would like a Welcome Packet delivered, please email us at [Hospitality@inmanpark.org](mailto:Hospitality@inmanpark.org)

Do you have personal news or a life event to share with the neighborhood? We would love to hear about it and recognize you in the Advocate!

### Inman Park Parents!

Want to stay in the know about current APS (and other parenthood-based) news? Join the Inman Park Parent Google Group to hear the latest.

Email [junoble@yahoo.com](mailto:junoble@yahoo.com) to join.

### IP Caregiver Support Group

If you're concerned about someone with memory loss — a family member, friend, or neighbor — please consider attending the Inman Park Caregiver Support Group. We focus on the challenges of caring for someone with cognitive decline. This free group meets every third Thursday of the month from 4:00 to 5:30 at the Inman Park United Methodist Church. Please contact Moira Keller LCSW if you have questions, 404-290-1630 or [moira.keller@comcast.net](mailto:moira.keller@comcast.net)

## IPNA Calendar

**Mar 15**

IPNA Meeting  
Trolley Barn/Zoom  
7:30 p.m.

**Mar 23**

NPU-N Meeting  
Zoom  
7:00 p.m.

**Mar 28**

Book Club  
See page 4  
for details

**Mar 31**

Porch Party  
See page 4  
for details

**Apr 19**

IPNA Meeting  
Trolley Barn/Zoom  
7:30 p.m.

**Apr 25**

Book Club  
See page 4  
for details

**Apr 27**

NPU-N Meeting  
Zoom  
7:00 p.m.

**Apr 28  
- 30**

Inman Park  
Festival!!!



# Fire in the Woods

By Lynn Curtis Koehnmann • lkoehnmann@gmail.com

An old family friend, Caniff Hodson, once told me about his parents' rigorous journey overland from Jacksonville in a covered wagon. In 1901 the Hodsons had traveled 250 miles westward through the longleaf pine forest. They drove off-road - in their canvas-topped, horse-drawn wagon. This journey was possible because the longleaf pine ecosystem does not have a thick understory of shrubs and small trees. Frequent burning in this system creates a longleaf-wiregrass savanna.

Caniff, a beekeeper by trade, lived very close to this natural system. He knew that the ordered plantations of slash pine (*Pinus elliottii*), now ubiquitous, were no replacement for the longleaf pine ecosystem. Gone were the blackberries and dewberries with their white and pink



spring blooms and hundreds of other plant species found nowhere else. The longleaf system is home to the now-endangered Red-cockaded woodpecker, the "gopher" (Gopher Tortoise), the Indigo snake and the Fox squirrel.

Hunters seek out the Bobwhite quail and the white-tailed deer. There are more than 68 species of birds, 900 plant species and 30 native butterflies here.

The native peoples of Georgia and the Southeast had managed this enormous ecosystem with fire for thousands of years. They used fire to encourage plants attractive to game animals and to make clearings for hunting. Wildfires caused by summer lightning also worked to maintain the ecosystem. Lightning fires burned uncontained over large areas and might burn for weeks.

The early British settlers in the Southeast were very familiar with using fire to manage a landscape. The peoples of the north and west of Britain had used fire to manage the heathland and moorland for over 8,000 years. Locals in the Southeast U.S. call it "burning the woods". But we know this does not mean an intense high-fuel burn that would kill the trees. Burning the woods means a light maintenance burn. Because there isn't much to burn, it moves along the ground quickly. Fire destroys other pine species and hardwoods which could eventually shade out and replace the longleaf pines. Longleaf seeds do best when they can put down roots directly in the bare soil made available by burning.

In coastal Georgia and Florida, large areas of the longleaf ecosystem were maintained as grazing land for cattle and feral hogs. That, in combination with its remote location, helps explain why some of the largest remnants of the ecosystem are located there. Livestock ranged free in Georgia and Florida until the mid-twentieth century.

When Hernan de Soto reached Georgia's Flint River in 1540, there were as many as 90 million acres of longleaf pine forest. The longleaf forest extended from Virginia down the Atlantic coast, across southern Georgia to the Gulf of Mexico, and westward to Texas. When my friend Caniff and I spoke in 1972, it had been reduced by more than 95%. In Georgia today, half a million acres remain - most of it on private land.

Over the centuries, many enterprises exploited the longleaf pine trees. In Virginia in the 1700s, the tree was used for its lumber and resin. The floor of George Washington's home, Mount Vernon, was constructed using it. Many historic homes have longleaf pine floors, and for a time, the majority of the houses built in the South used this lumber. Longleaf is harder than other pine wood and longleaf heart pine wood is even harder. In Virginia, naval stores were extracted as early as 1608 - when John Smith exported the first "tryalls of Pitch and Tarre". Pitch, tar,

turpentine, and resin - were used to caulk seams and maintain wooden ships. Producing naval stores was vital to the South's economy for centuries. Over time these two industries exhausted vast areas of the longleaf.

In 1932 a new chemical process accelerated the removal of the longleaf pine. A new method using an acidic sulfite solution to digest the pine wood allowed its use in paper manufacturing. Landowners throughout the Southeast planted the fast-growing slash pine for paper production, and pulp mills appeared all over the South. Investors from outside the region also bought land for this purpose. The St Joe Paper Company alone had title to over a million acres of land in the Florida Gulf region.

Robert Woodruff lived in Inman Park in the early years. Before joining the Coca-Cola Company in 1923, he hunted with his employer Walter White, one of the owners of the White Motor Company of Cleveland, Ohio. They hunted in a significant patch of the longleaf forest which remained intact north of Tallahassee on private quail reserves. Six years later, he and Walter White bought several old cotton farms and created a 29,000-acre quail-hunting reserve near Albany, Georgia. This reserve embraced holistic forest and wildlife management, including prescribed fire, to maintain the diversity of the longleaf pine ecosystem.



Today, much of Georgia's longleaf forest is on private land, making it vulnerable to pressure from development. Even properties that have willingly planted longleaf seedlings might choose to harvest those trees when they grow to a marketable size. These pines can grow to more than 100 feet. Old-growth specimens can be 30 inches in diameter.

There is one longleaf pine tree in Inman Park; it's in Freedom Park, south of North Highland Avenue. It is opposite a stand of shortleaf pines - allowing us to compare the length of the needles and the size of the cones. Longleaf pine needles can be well over a foot long. They're bundled at the tip of a bare stem, giving the longleaf pine a distinctive appearance. Its cones can be more than ten inches long. Nearby is a group of the shortleaf pine (*Pinus echinata*) which is much more common in the Piedmont. This pine has shorter needles, about 6 inches long, and the cones are about 4 inches long. You can see these trees in our arboretum. Or follow the virtual arboretum tour here: <https://www.treesatlanta.org/resources/neighborhood-arboreta/>



On Friday, April 28, 2023 from 8:00pm to midnight, Butterfly Ball will kick-off our Festival, and all IPNA members are invited. Remember to renew your membership if it has lapsed ([www.inmanpark.org](http://www.inmanpark.org)) so you'll receive an email invite in late March with instructions for purchasing tickets. Each current IPNA member may purchase 2 tickets; 4 total per household, please.

We're bringing back the Tiki Party theme from the Didn't Happen 2020 Festival, so get ready for an Inman Park Luau! Your \$75 ticket gets you access to two open bars serving complimentary beverages and a fantastic buffet + desserts catered by Bold American Catering. Don't forget to check in at the table on the east (Elizabeth) side of the tent when you arrive, to get your wristband and a lei. Then get ready to dance the night away with the Old 4th Ward Boogie Band!

So dust off your butterfly gear AND your tropical shirts and grass skirts and we'll see you under the Main Tent on Euclid!



# Inman Park Festival Street Closing and Impacts

Please pay close attention to the street closing and remove your cars from the streets prior to the closing in order to avoid being towed.

Closed Friday, Saturday, Sunday:

The following streets/areas will close on Friday, April 28th at 7:00 a.m. and reopen on Sunday, April 30th at 10:00 p.m. Cars must be off the street in this area by 7:00 a.m. on Friday, April 28th or they will be towed:

Euclid Avenue from Elizabeth Street going west to Waverly Way (where it crosses Springvale Park)  
Waverly Way at two areas Popular Circle/  
Euclid Ave to the bend in the road (near the Freedom stage) and then again From Euclid Avenue to Edgewood Avenue  
Delta Place along the East side of Delta Park

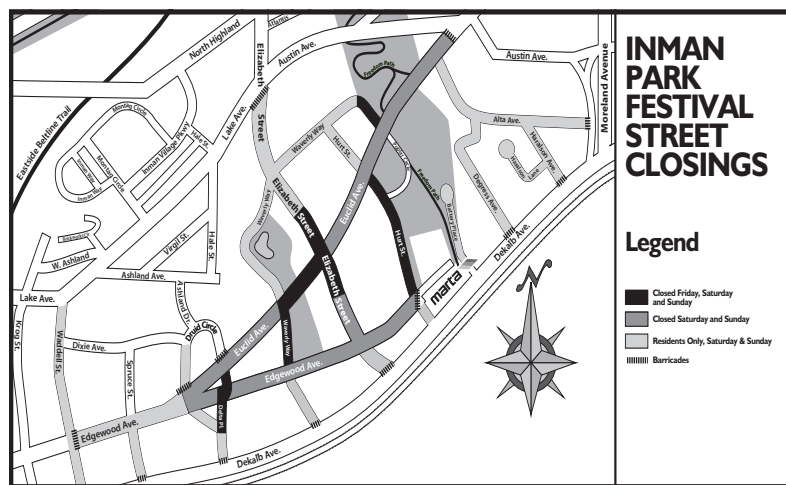
Waverly Way from Freedom Park bend to Euclid Avenue and from Edgewood to Dekalb (See No Parking)  
Elizabeth Street from Lake to Waverly Way and Edgewood to Dekalb  
Hurt Street from Waverly to Euclid and Edgewood to Dekalb  
Druid Circle from Euclid to Dixie  
Spruce Street from Edgewood to Dekalb (see no parking and parade impact)  
Waddell (see no parking and parade impact)

No Parking Zones Saturday and Sunday:

The following resident only access streets will have No Parking Zones on Saturday, April 29th from 3:00 a.m. until Sunday, April 30th, 7:00 p.m.:

Waverly Way No Parking on the Springvale Park side of the street.

Waddell No parking on the east side of the street (Spruce side)  
Spruce No Parking on the east side of the street from Euclid to the driveway of the townhouses/IP pool.



to Edgewood Avenue  
Elizabeth Street from to 144/145 Elizabeth Street to 176/177 Elizabeth Street  
Hurt Street From Euclid Avenue to Poplar Circle

Closed Saturday and Sunday :

In addition to the above closures, starting Saturday, April 29th at 3:00 a.m. until Sunday, April 30th at 10:00 p.m. the following streets will close:

Euclid Avenue from Austin to Edgewood  
Edgewood Avenue from Hurt Street to Druid Circle (west side closest to Spruce)  
Elizabeth Street from Euclid to Edgewood  
Hurt Street from Euclid to Edgewood

Important note: The street closings above are the main festival footprint. Cars must be off the street in these areas by 3:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 29th or they will be towed. If you need access to your car Saturday, please relocate it outside the closed areas.

Resident Only Access Saturday and Sunday: The following streets are closed with resident only access starting Saturday, April 29th at 3:00 a.m. to Sunday April 30th at 7:00 p.m. Note: You may be asked to provide ID to enter these streets with a car:

Alta Avenue  
Haralson Ave  
Haralson Lane  
Degress Avenue  
Battery Place

from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Edgewood from Krog to Wadell  
Waddell Street  
Spruce from Edgewood to Dekalb

One Way Street Saturday and Sunday

The street below will run one way on Saturday, April 29th from 3:00 a.m. until Sunday, April 30th, 10:00 p.m.

Krog one way from Lake Avenue toward Edgewood

Transportation Inside the Festival Footprint – Personal Golf Carts, Skateboards, Scooters, and Bicycles  
Personal Golf carts, skateboards, scooters and bicycles are not allowed in the Inman Park Festival footprint during Festival hours. Personal golf carts will be allowed on Friday night (April 28nd) for Butterfly Ball and Saturday night (April 29rd) after 7 pm for Theater Night.

Please note: it is illegal to drive a golf cart on public streets open to traffic. Festival security will stop any golf cart with an unlicensed driver or anyone driving under the influence.

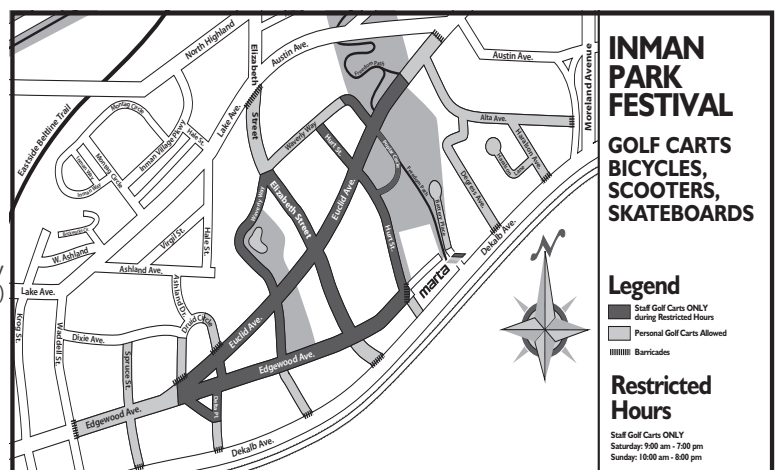
FESTIVAL GOLF CART POLICIES AND RULES

For safety and insurance purposes, the policies and rules established in 2019 regarding Festival Golf Carts remain in effect. See details below:

1. Only official Festival staff carts will be allowed inside the Festival footprint. These carts will all be marked with signs in front and in back for easy recognition.
2. Staff or volunteers in Festival carts should not transport Festival attendees unless there is an emergency of some kind.
3. Festival golf carts will not be checked-out to anyone under 18 years of age or to anyone without a valid driver's license.
4. If you choose to decorate your cart, make sure that the Festival signs on front and back of the cart are clearly visible to the officers and staff. If not, you will be stopped. Please do not use tape or any attachments that will leave residue or marks on the carts.
5. Personally rented carts will not be allowed in the footprint of the Festival during Festival hours. Taking a cart to Butterfly Ball or to Theater Night is fine as it is after Festival hours. If you rent a personal cart and LIVE within the Festival footprint, you will not be allowed to enter or leave your property with your cart during Festival hours. Park it outside of the footprint (if you want to use it during Festival hours) or on your property if you won't be using it.

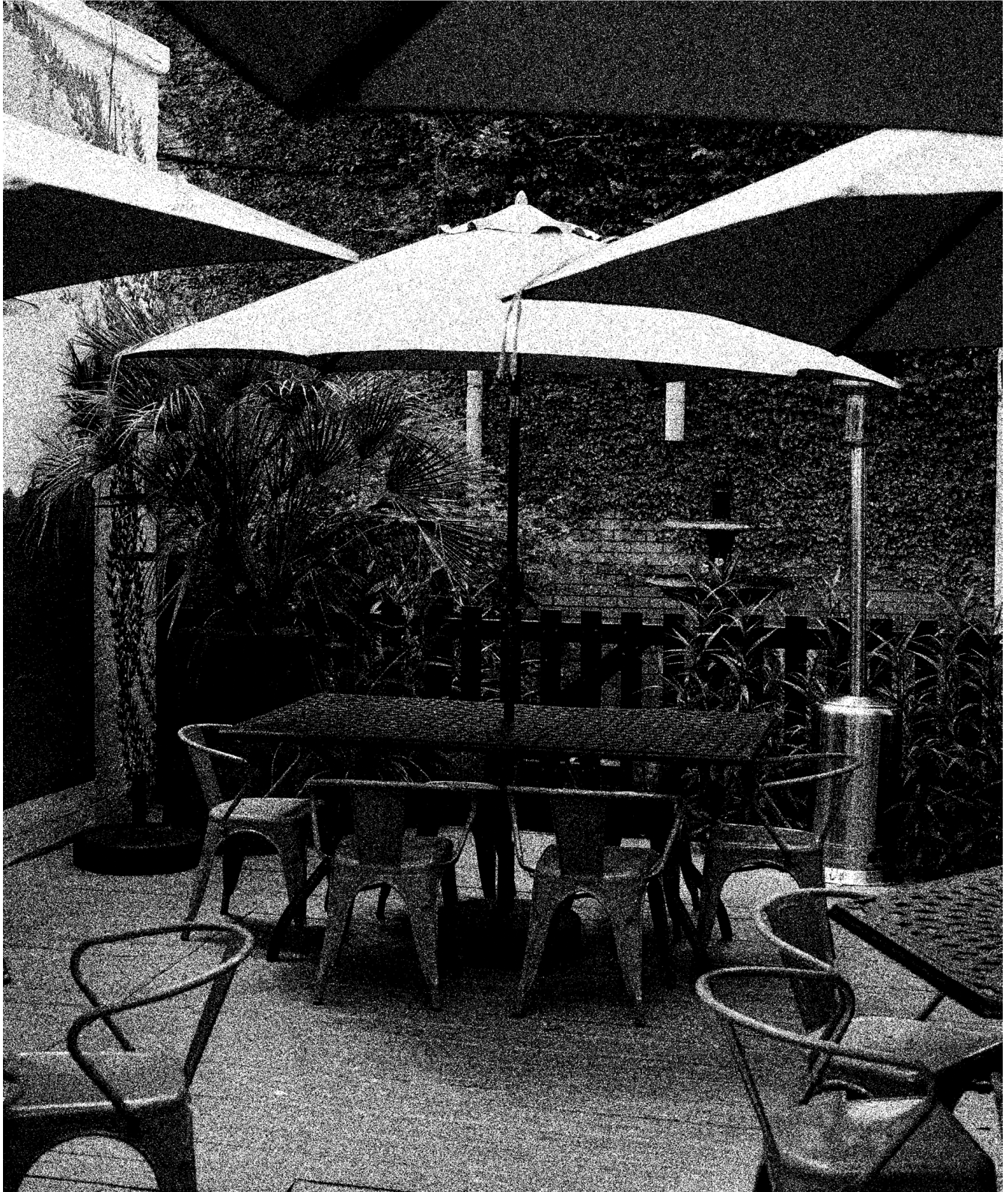
6. Traffic laws will be enforced by our officers. This means that the driver of a cart, whether Festival staff or not, within the footprint or not, must have a valid driver's license and must not be intoxicated or driving in a dangerous manner. Our officers will stop drivers who, in their discretion, may not be complying with the law.

Please direct any questions to the Chair of the Festival Committee at [inmanparkfestival.org](http://inmanparkfestival.org).





# Kitty Dare



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# Freedom Park Conservancy News

By Sally Dorn • [sdorn47@comcast.net](mailto:sdorn47@comcast.net)

At the February meeting IPNA unanimously voted to support the inclusion of the Freedom Park Conservancy's Master Plan in the City of Atlanta's Comprehensive Development Plan. We expect the City Council will vote to include the Master Plan in March.

Now the Freedom Park Conservancy can move forward with focusing on Freedom Park and what needs to happen to maintain and improve the Park. We are fortunate to have on the Freedom Park Conservancy Board a local Atlanta native, Ben Fowler. Ben grew up in the Little Five Points area and now lives with his wife, Desiree and two young boys on North Avenue with Freedom Park serving as his front yard extension. Ben worked for the Georgia Conservancy in his twenties and is now pursuing a Ph.D. at Clemson University

in Park, Conservation and Outdoor Recreation Management. He is currently working on a Stewardship plan for Freedom Park. I am so excited about his work and look forward to engaging Inman Park neighbors to join with us to think about stewardship opportunities for the Park. These could include trash and debris clean up, landscaping, tree trimming, shrub pruning, wilderness walks, educational programming and other activities.

Freedom Park is our park. Let's all start thinking about what you would like to see happen there and how you can help stewardship happen.

## Jaw Dropping IP Book Club!

By Girl Reporter Jan Keith • [janetbkeith@gmail.com](mailto:janetbkeith@gmail.com)

Inman Park author Joseph Drolet spoke at the IP Book Club in January on "The Pursuit of the Atlanta Child Killer" and what a jaw-dropping evening—and that wasn't just the fabulous food talking! We heard additional never before published details of this terrible period in Atlanta's history. Plus, Joseph even brought a sample of the infamous green carpet which played a major role in the fiber forensics. WOW!

We are so fortunate to have such an amazing neighbor. Thanks for your public service Joe and what you continue to do to give-back to our Small Town Downtown.

## "An Afternoon with Jimmy Broccoli"

- with poet Jimmy Broccoli

Poetry Reading

Saturday, March 4th, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Joan P. Garner Library at Ponce de Leon

980 Ponce de Leon Ave., NE

Atlanta, GA 30306

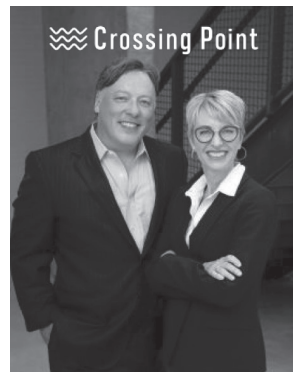
This is a free event that will have freebies (Jimmy Broccoli items) and prizes (autographed books and posters)

## Doggo the Month: Jules



A venerable 16 years old. Often gets around via backpack.  
Patient eyes and fluffy ears, so here is a haiku:

Elderly, little  
a miniature dachshund  
this assembly of daffodils



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# IP Tour of Homes Tickets

By Jan Keith • janetbkeith@gmail.com

What do the numbers 25-35-40-12-4 mean to you? Winning lottery numbers? Numbers to a combination lock? A little of both! You'll think you won the lottery when you purchase tour of homes tickets at the amazing neighbor price of \$25! It's a well-kept secret. Knowing the winning combination of where you can make the purchase is also part of the winning combination.

There are always three pricing options for tour of homes tickets. And it's not too early to make your plans. The best day for neighbors to tour is on Friday, April 28 as streets are open and the houses are not as crowded. Easy to park if you are driving. Plus, you can visit with homeowners and get design/color tips at the start of our legendary 51st Festival. Your tour ticket is good all three days of Festival. We heard your concerns and there will be the opportunity to use paper tickets this year.

## \$25 Inman Park Neighbor Advance Sale Price

If you live in Inman Park, you can buy discount tickets for \$25. This is a thank you from the Festival Committee to the hundreds of neighbor volunteers who make Festival possible (BTW—have you signed up for a volunteer shift yet?). This price is only available at IPNA meetings and from the following neighbors. Cash or checks only (made out to the Inman Park Festival).

- Jan & Windell Keith, 889 Edgewood Ave.
- Pat & Richard Westrick, 835 Ashland Ave.
- Carol & Ben Mitchell, 1107 Austin Ave.
- Karin & Jacques Mebius, 860 Euclid Ave.
- Regina Brewer and Joe Castellano, 177 Elizabeth St.

## \$35 General Public Advance Sale Price

The online link will be revealed shortly. Online purchases will be redeemed during Festival. In addition, three of our wonderful neighborhood businesses will also have advance sale tickets (thank them when you patronize their business!). Again, cash or checks only. No charges. These businesses include

- Little 5 Points Pharmacy, 484 Moreland Ave.
- VinoTeca, 299 North Highland Ave., Suite T
- Revolution Donuts, 785 Edgewood Ave.

## \$40 Full Price Tickets During Festival Weekend

Beginning Friday, April 28 ALL tickets are \$40. The ticket is good all three days of Festival house tours. It contains a description of each tour home, a map of Festival, the entertainment schedule, and a history of Inman Park. Tour of homes hours are 12-4 all three days. Our Small Town Downtown is the winning ticket for an incredible weekend of fun. Hope to see you there!

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# The Legend of Springvale Park's Wrought Iron Fence

By Lou Arcangeli • larcangeli@yahoo.com

This is about the wrought iron fence that runs along both sides of the Euclid Avenue sidewalk above Springvale Park and how two neighbors made it happen.

The original Olmstead design for Springvale Park did not have a road in the middle. By the 1960's the glory days of our neighborhood had passed and folks wanted a faster route downtown. So the elegant lake was drained and Springvale Park was cut in half by an ugly Euclid Avenue land bridge. It was also wrong when Georgia DOT attempted to cut the Inman Park neighborhood in half with an ugly road in the 1980's, but one of Inman Park's leading founding mothers helped stop such nonsense... here's one small episode in the Cathy Bradshaw story.

Around 35 years ago Cathy Bradshaw's 7 year old daughter Jane was riding her bicycle on the Euclid Avenue sidewalk above Springvale Park. Jane lost control, rolled down the hill and crashed. What followed were tears, some blood, a trip to the emergency room, x-rays, and a lot of worry for her mother. Thankfully Jane made a full recovery. It took a mother's love, and a dear neighbors help, to make those sidewalks safe and prevent a similar tragedy.



Cathy Bradshaw went to work politely requesting, nudging, pushing, and eventually pestering city officials for a safer sidewalk with a protective fence. She made some progress but was running out of energy raising two children, restoring her home, volunteering for Festivals, working to save the Old Fourth Ward and of course working full time. That's when her friend and neighbor Marge Hays joined her and together they patiently and persistently kept the safety fence project moving forward.

A lovely, unobtrusive and mostly historically accurate wrought iron fence was installed; adding to the list of behind-the-scenes achievements by Cathy and Marge over the years. I've always called it the "Jane Bradshaw Almost Memorial Fence," because the daredevil cyclist survived the crash, and she still lives in our neighborhood. Jane's young son benefits from this safety feature, since it is on the way to his grandparent's home on Hurt Street.

In recent years many of our neighbors have adopted and nurtured this Park. They have cared and maintained and redeveloped Springvale

Park into a beautiful and invaluable urban gem. It has a lake, wonderful playgrounds, a bocce ball court and thanks to Cathy Bradshaw and Marge Hays, it has a wrought iron fence.

Please visit <https://www.springvalepark.org> for more info on our lovely park.

# Mary Lin Education Foundation Shares the Love

By Jeannie Beckett • hyejeongyoo@gmail.com

February 14th was truly a Day of Love at Mary Lin Elementary. Not only did the kids enjoy the traditional Valentine's dances and parties, the Mary Lin Education Foundation got to award the teachers with the highest participation numbers in the Rocket Fuel Fundraiser. This year was especially great, because there were TWO ties!



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The winners in order were:

- Ms. Dees won SW airline tickets for two passengers to anywhere in the continental U.S.;
- Ms. Hedgecock won a mountain cabin weekend getaway;
- Ms. Guthrie won a Liz Williams art, CaptureAbel photography package and a year's membership to the High Museum of Art;
- Ms. Derrico won a Syed Ahmad art, Nordstrom gift card, Sean's Market gift card;
- Ms. Huff won a Chef's table dinner for four to Amore e Amore;
- Ms. Campbell won Salon Five nail service gift card, Oxford Cleaners drycleaning gift card and an Aurora Coffee gift card
- Ms. Boyajian won M3 Yoga gift card, Marie Marie haircare

gift card and Sean's Market gift card

- Ms. Robinson won Guitar Shed music lessons gift card, Sean's Market gift card and Oxford Cleaners drycleaning gift card

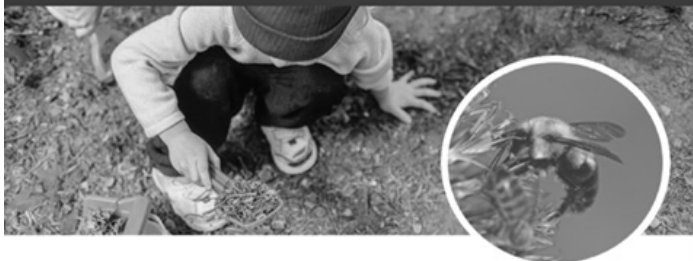
- Not pictured: The two tied kindergarten teacher assistants also received Sean's Market and Oxford Cleaners gift cards.



In case you missed it, our Rocket Fuel Fund Fundraiser not only exceeded our \$130,000 goal, but we raised a total of \$148,000. Way to go, Rockets! Congratulations to all of our winners. And huge thanks go to all of our donors, and especially thank you to these local businesses who donated to our fabulous prize packages: Sean's, Guitar Shed, Marie Marie Salon, Amore y Amore, Salon 5, M3 Yoga, Aurora Coffee, CaptureAbel photography, and Oxford Cleaners. Please support the local businesses that support our community!

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## Inman Park Theatre Night

*Saturday, April 29, 2023*

*Under the Main Festival Tent 7:30 p.m.*

*Don't miss your opportunity to support our local theatres  
- they help make Inman Park special!*



*\*Performance vignettes\* \*Lively auction\**

Pack your picnic basket, call your friends, and reserve your table now!  
Sponsorships include a table for six at the following levels:

Tony \$1,500+  
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Star \$500+ (Available March 1)

Seating proximity to stage is determined by level of donation and date payment is received.  
All sponsorships & donations are non-refundable and are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

**Deadline for reservations is March 31, 2023.**

Mail your payment by check, payable to "Friends of Inman Park", to:  
Marie Wooldridge, 1082 Austin Ave. NE, Atlanta, GA 30307  
Please email [iptheatreight@gmail.com](mailto:iptheatreight@gmail.com) with any questions.



Unable to attend? Donations in any amount are welcome.



# IPNA Meeting Minutes: February 15, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 7:31pm by President Cristy Lenz. Approximately 30 people attended in person, and about 14 attended online.

Welcome/Introduction of newcomers  
Allegra and Travis Duwalter - moved into the neighborhood 3 years ago

Police Officer's Report  
Introduction to newest member of patrol: Officer R. Jones  
Security Patrol truck anticipated to return to service 2/16  
Sargent C. Haslam updates: some damage to property, car break-ins, largely business as usual. Arrested a man for loitering in the L5P parking lot

Announcements  
Pat Westrick. Porch parties are organized on the last Friday of every month. This month's porch party is on Friday, Feb 24 211 Hurt Street at 7:30PM. Beginning May, Pat will be seeking volunteers to host porch parties. Also seeking a new Chair for Porch Parties.  
Beverly Miller. Butterfly Award Committee is taking nominations for this year's Butterfly Awards. Looking for a team player and active in multiple roles in the community to make positive changes. Email nominations to Kathleenbusko@hotmail.com.  
Karen Heim. Accepting nominations for Grand Marshall. Also seeking people to hold ropes and stanchions along the parade route for the Festival.  
Tour of Homes is looking for volunteers for Tour of Homes.  
Motion to modify the agenda and add an item under the NPU report. Motion passed.

IPNA officers' reports  
President  
Open positions at IPNA: email us if interested! president@inmanpark.org  
Public Safety, currently held by Tom  
Treasurer, currently held by Phil  
Historic Preservation, currently held by Sandy

VP of Historic Preservation  
Villa de Grip. Urban Design Commission voted against Inman Park recommendation and is allowing the construction of a 45 foot building. 331 Sinclair. Adam, the architect, presented the site plans. Plans to build a deck and 8.5x12.5ft plunge pool. Most lots cannot accommodate these designs, but the unique polygon shape of this lot can. Metal fence instead of a wooden fence will be installed so that neighbors can safely use the alley without the fence blocking their line of vision.

Motion to support: 30 in favor, 0 in opposition. Motion passes.

349 North Highland Avenue (owners Sidra

and Ben Gross). Adam, again the architect, presented plans. 3 part project. Proposal is to add a screen porch and deck over the driveway. House was built in 2001, there are no historic materials.

Motion to support: 30 in favor, 0 in opposition. Motion passes.

537 Seminole Ave (Owners Allegra and Travis Duwalter). Home was originally built as a duplex, converted into a quadplex. Converting the home into a single family residence. Will create two additional bedrooms and a bathroom in the attic. Converting greenhouse into a screened in porch. There are easements for alleys that were never built that restricts their ability to expand on the first level, and is forcing them to build upwards. There are some objections to the dormers being built on the front facade, and to the addition that is adding height and a third level to the house that extends beyond the current roofline. There was an Immediate Neighbor's meeting on February 12 that was not attended.

Q: Will they be applying for a variance with the UDC for the third floor, window encasements, and dormer?

A: The Duwalters will be presenting to the UDC to request a variance on Feb 22, but are hoping their design will be accepted based on the restrictions of their lot's footprint. Hoping to start the renovation in September.

Q: How is the property zoned? C1 or C2?

A: Property is zoned commercial.

Q: What is the height of the house?

A: Unsure, but made sure that the height was within requirements - 35ft.

Q: Will a zoning change be required?

A: No.

Historic Committee is opposed, mostly because of the height of the addition in the back. They are not objecting to the addition, just the height which disrupts the current ridgeline. Even though the height maximum is 35ft, there is another historic regulation that states that you can't go beyond the original roofline. Do not want to set new precedence. UDC will likely defer because a variance application is needed.

Motion to have the UDC defer decision until next month to better understand the variance. Motion passes 20 to 0.

Bryce Berry for Rep Phil Olaleye, District 9  
Will be hosting a Meet and Greet event next Saturday. Contact Phil at: Phil.Olaleye@house.ga.gov 404-656-0220 (office)  
678-310-5109 (cell)  
PhilForGeorgia.com

Zoning  
No updates

Planning  
Beltline Rail Committee Update  
25 people have joined the committee

Next meeting is at the Trolley Barn on February 22

Vote on Freedom Park Master Plan Update  
Beth McDonald, the Park President of Freedom Park Conservancy

Began updating the Master Plan in 2020, (previously updated in 1990)

Updated draft of master plan is available on freedompark.org

Asking that the master plan is adopted by the city council to open some funding opportunities

Master plan sets forth 7 goals. Among them, to enhance the ecological value of the park, increase mobility, enhance neighborhood vitality, highlight their civic role, elevate the significance of the park as a green space, increase economic vitality of the park to attract funding for maintenance

Have already voted to support the master plan. Some changes were made, and we are now voting on the most updated version.

Motion to support updated master plan: 24 in favor, 0 opposed. Motion passes.

Treasurer

Thanks to the Wine Stroll significant contribution.

Public Safety

Patrol vehicle has been out for repair. Officers have been doing patrol by foot or using their own vehicles. Official vehicle will be back in operation February 15.

Communication

No updates

Secretary

Volunteer Fair will be held on March 5, 4-6 PM, to showcase opportunities in the neighborhood to get involved and help out.

Storage Facility Vote

Ordinance 317 will prohibit warehousing, distribution facilities, and storage unit centers within 500 ft of the Beltline. This will apply to all structures on the Beltline, current and future.

A position to consider: Storage facilities can be a good addition. It brings in revenue, and is a quiet neighbor. A blanket ordinance feels extreme, and suggests that we consider storage on a case by case basis.

Motion to support the ordinance to prohibit warehousing, distribution facilities, and storage unit centers: 19 approve, 1 opposed. Motion carries.

Committee Reports

Springdale Volunteer: next 2 Saturdays at 9AM in the north block of the Springdale, 171 Waverly will be hosting volunteers to mulch and pick up trash.





# *The Inman Park Festival Needs You!*

**Who:** You and all your neighbors!

**What:** Sign up for a volunteer shift (or three!) - more info. below

**When:** April 28th - 30th

**Where:** Our neighborhood

**Why:** Festival is volunteer driven and all proceeds benefit the Inman Park Neighborhood Association. These funds go towards neighborhood improvements to parks, sidewalks, local schools and nonprofits.

## *About volunteer shifts:*

- ✦ Each shift is 2 hours
- ✦ There are various options: trash, Tour of Homes, beer sales, water, cleanup before and after, booth check-in, etc.
- ✦ You get a free Inman Park Volunteer t-shirt! And the pride of helping your community! We will also provide you with a butterfly decal that indicates you volunteered.
- ✦ A free beer for adults during Festival
- ✦ PLUS you get to hang out with your awesome neighbors!.

For more information, go to [tinyurl.com/InmanParkVolunteer](http://tinyurl.com/InmanParkVolunteer)

***We are hoping that every adult resident of Inman Park will volunteer for at least one shift. We cannot put on Festival without everyone's help!***



**SCAN ME**



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## RAW REAL ESTATE GROUP

Saturday, April 15th, 2023  
**3rd Annual**  
**Sunshine Day Dream Festival**  
 6pm-10pm

Proceeds this year benefit our friends at Neighbor in Need. [www.NeighborinNeed.org](http://www.NeighborinNeed.org)  
 "Change the World – On Your Street"

We are kicking off this year's Twin Oaks Park Summer Concert Series with the funky New Orleans sound of The Squirrelheads. We'd love to see your smiling faces!



The uber-talented Heidi, Jo, and Mo will be kicking things off for us that night as well.

For Additional Info: Please Contact Jeff Raw  
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# Agenda

**March 15, 2023**

**IPNA Meeting • 7:30 p.m.**

**Location: Trolley Barn / Zoom**

I. Welcome & Introduction of Newcomers

II. Police Officers' Reports

III. Minutes of Last Meeting

IV. Announcements

V. Elected Officials' Reports

VI. IPNA Officers' Reports

A. President

B. Planning

C. Zoning

D. Historic Preservation

E. Public Safety

F. Communications

G. Treasurer

H. Secretary

VII. Committee Reports

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

X. Adjourn

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Check [inmanpark.org](http://inmanpark.org) the day of the meeting for any agenda updates

## Want to be a part of next month's Advocate?

If you have news to share with your neighbors in the April issue of the Advocate, please send your submissions to [advocator@inmanpark.org](mailto:advocator@inmanpark.org) before March 20.



## Good to Know

### Inman Park Neighborhood Association (IPNA) membership:

Inman Park Neighborhood Association (IPNA) membership: Available to those who live within or own property within the boundaries of Inman Park. Membership is \$5 with online registration at [inmanpark.org](http://inmanpark.org). Membership allows you to vote (see bylaws online for details), gives you access to the directory and makes you eligible for special neighborhood events. In addition to being a member of IPNA, you may register for the Inman Park Security Patrol (IPSP) which staffs off-duty Atlanta Police officers to patrol our neighborhood. There are four levels of commitment beginning at \$50 per year. IPNA meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Trolley Barn. IPSP membership is based upon a rolling annual membership term. Your renewal date is one year from your membership date and again every year after that.

## Websites

[InmanPark.org](http://InmanPark.org)

[InmanParkFestival.org](http://InmanParkFestival.org)

[Facebook.com/InmanPark](https://Facebook.com/InmanPark)

Instagram: @inmanpark

## Report All Crimes: Call 911

IP Security Patrol: 404-414-7802

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## Welcome Spring!

**PENDING**



\$259,900

**Briarcliff Normandy 1/1**  
Susan Schlittler & Ashlee Heath

**CLOSED**



\$846,500

**Morningside Triplex**  
Susan Schlittler

**CLOSED**



\$852,100

**Morningside Triplex**  
Ashlee Heath

**PENDING**



\$417,000

**Poncey Highland 2/2**  
Ashlee Heath

**FOR SALE**



\$1,295,000

**Virginia Highland 5/5**  
Susan Schlittler

**CLOSED**



\$235,000

**Clairmont Heights 2/2**  
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## RENTALS

**The Stacks** 2/2 · \$3,800 Pam  
**Cross Creek** 2/2 · \$2,150 Nancy  
**Morningside** 2/1.5 · \$3,200 Susan  
**Atkins Park** 1/1 · \$1,700 Susan/Ashlee  
**Old 4th Ward** 2/1 · \$1,925 Nancy  
**Brookhaven** 4/3.5 · \$3,700 Nancy  
**Leafmore Hills** 3/2 · \$3,250 Judy/Susan



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